

TO: Members of the Planning Commission

FROM: General Plan Update Team

DATE: January 30, 2008

SUBJECT: General Plan Workshop # 15, Draft Community Resources Element and Safety Element

Purpose:

The draft Community Resources and Safety Elements and corresponding Implementation Plans have been prepared for your review and consideration. The elements were prepared using the public comments during previous workshops and input received from the various Community Services and Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation commissions and staff members.

- The Safety Element addresses natural and human activity hazards, emergency preparedness, and emergency responses.
- The Community Resources Element encompasses the Conservation, Parks and Recreation, and Open Space elements. The Community Resources Element will also address the topics of historic preservation, energy and natural resource conservation, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and sustainable development practices.

The purpose of this workshop is to present an overview of the General Plan update process, previous workshops, and the rough draft of the Community Resource and Safety Elements and receive comments from the Planning Commission and the public. A second draft of the General Plan will be prepared after the Planning Commission and public have had the opportunity to review and comment on the rough draft of each element. Public hearings will be conducted for the Planning Commission to consider the second draft of the entire General Plan and General Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report and for the Commission to make recommendations to the City Council.

Next Workshop:

In the coming months, staff will be bringing forward the Circulation and Infrastructure, Land Use, Noise, and Housing draft elements as they become ready for your consideration. The dates for these upcoming workshops have not yet been determined.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:

1. Draft Community Resources Element & Implementation Plan (Previously distributed)
2. Draft Safety Element & Implementation Plan (Previously distributed)